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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

JEFFREY ALLEN COOK,

Plaintiff,

v.

WASHINGTON STATE

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, MARK WENTWORTH, LEIGH

GILLIVER, ERIN LYSTADT, RYAN HARRINGTON, JENNIFER MEYERS, JOAN PALMER, DEAN MASON,

JASON BENNETT, and ROBERT JACKSON.

Defendant.

CASE NO. 3:23-cv-5773

ORDER ADOPTING R&R DENYING MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

This matter comes before the Court on United States Magistrate Judge Michelle L. Peterson's Report and Recommendation ("R&R), Dkt. No. 35, on Defendants' motion for summary judgment for failure to exhaust administrative remedies, Dkt. No. 26. Judge Peterson recommends denying the motion because issues of material fact exist as to whether Cook effectively exhausted his administrative remedies under Ninth Circuit precedent *Harvey v. Jordan*, 605 F.3d 681, 684–85 (9th Cir. 2010). Dkt. No. 35 at 7.

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No one has objected to the R&R and the time for objecting has passed. See generally Dkt. Because there were no objections, the Court may adopt the R&R if it is satisfied there are no clear errors on the face of the record. Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b) Advisory Committee's Note to 1983 Amendment. The Court agrees with Judge Peterson's reasoning and finds no clear errors on the face of the record.

Accordingly, the Court ORDERS:

- The Court ADOPTS the Report and Recommendation, Dkt. No. 35.
- Defendants' motion for summary judgment for failure to exhaust administrative remedies, Dkt. No. 26, is DENIED.

The Clerk is directed to send uncertified copies of this Order to counsel and to Judge Michelle L. Peterson.

Dated this 13th day of September, 2024.

Jamal N. Whitehead United States District Judge

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